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***"AN ACT CONCERNING AUTHORIZATION OF STATE GRANT
COMMITMENTS FOR SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECTS,
CONCERNING URBAN ACTION FUNDS FOR LIBRARIES, SOIL
REMEDiation OF A PLAYING FIELD AND CONNECTION OF A
WATER LINE TO A SCHOOL, AND CONCERNING SCHOOL
NURSES."***

1 Strike sections 3, 9 and 20 in their entirety and renumber the
2 remaining sections accordingly

3 After line T384, insert the following:

"LEARN
Mago Point Marine
Science/ Aquaculture Magnet
245-0087 MAG/N

Estimated...

Total Project Costs	24,928,074	27,000,000
Total Grant	24,928,074	27,000,000"

4 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
5 internal references accordingly:

6 "Sec. 501. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
7 section 10-292 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the
8 State Board of Education requiring that a bid not be let out until plans
9 and specifications have been approved by the Department of
10 Education's school facilities unit, the town of Weston may let out for
11 bid on and commence projects for well drilling (Project Numbers 157-
12 0041 EA/RR, 157-0042 N, 157-0043 EA/RR and 157-0044 EA/RR) at
13 Weston Middle School, New 3-5 Elementary School, Weston High
14 School and Hurlbutt Elementary School and shall be eligible to
15 subsequently be considered for a grant commitment from the state,
16 provided plans and specifications have been approved by the
17 Department of Education's school facilities unit.

18 Sec. 502. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
19 section 10-286 of the general statutes, as amended, or any regulation
20 adopted by the State Board of Education setting square footage
21 specifications for purposes of calculating eligible costs for a school
22 building project grant, such square footage specifications shall not
23 apply to the extension and alteration project (Project Number 023-0028
24 EA) at Canton Jr. Sr. High School in Canton.

25 Sec. 503. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions
26 of subsection (a) of section 10-264h of the general statutes or any
27 regulation adopted pursuant to subsection (a) of said section 10-264h,
28 concerning the reimbursement rate for the capital expenditure for the
29 construction of interdistrict magnet school facilities, the Board of
30 Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of
31 Manchester Community College shall be eligible for reimbursement of
32 the full reasonable cost of the project for new construction at Great
33 Path Academy on the campus of Manchester Community College at a
34 cost not to exceed twenty-eight million dollars.

35 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general

36 statutes, as amended, or any regulation adopted pursuant to said
37 section 10-283, requiring that no school building project shall be added
38 to the list in subdivision (1) of section 1 of this act, the project for new
39 construction at Great Path Academy on the campus of Manchester
40 Community College is included in said subdivision (1) of this act and
41 shall be eligible to be subsequently considered for a grant commitment
42 from the state, provided the Board of Trustees of the Community-
43 Technical Colleges on behalf of Manchester Community College files
44 an application for a school building project prior to June 30, 2004, and
45 meets all other provisions of chapter 173 of the general statutes or any
46 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education.

47 Sec. 504. Subsection (a) of section 10-264i of the general statutes is
48 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
49 *passage*):

50 (a) A local or regional board of education, regional educational
51 service center, the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical
52 Colleges on behalf of Manchester Community College, or cooperative
53 arrangement pursuant to section 10-158a which transports a child to an
54 interdistrict magnet school program, as defined in section 10-264l, as
55 amended by this act, in a town other than the town in which the child
56 resides shall be eligible pursuant to section 10-264e to receive a grant
57 for the cost of transporting such child in accordance with this section.
58 The amount of such grant shall not exceed an amount equal to the
59 number of such children transported multiplied by one thousand two
60 hundred dollars. The Department of Education shall provide such
61 grants within available appropriations. Nothing in this subsection shall
62 be construed to prevent a local or regional board of education, regional
63 educational service center or cooperative arrangement from receiving
64 reimbursement under section 10-266m, as amended, for reasonable
65 transportation expenses for which such board, service center or
66 cooperative arrangement is not reimbursed pursuant to this section.

67 Sec. 505. Subsection (a) of section 10-264l of the general statutes is
68 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*

69 *passage*):

70 (a) The Department of Education shall, within available
71 appropriations, establish a grant program to assist local and regional
72 boards of education, regional educational service centers, the Board of
73 Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of
74 Manchester Community College, and cooperative arrangements
75 pursuant to section 10-158a with the operation of interdistrict magnet
76 school programs. All interdistrict magnet schools shall be operated in
77 conformance with the same laws and regulations applicable to public
78 schools. For the purposes of this section "an interdistrict magnet school
79 program" means a program which (1) supports racial, ethnic and
80 economic diversity, (2) offers a special and high quality curriculum,
81 and (3) requires students who are enrolled to attend at least half-time.
82 An interdistrict magnet school program does not include a regional
83 vocational agriculture school, a regional vocational-technical school or
84 a regional special education center. On and after July 1, 2000, the
85 governing authority for each interdistrict magnet school program that
86 is in operation prior to July 1, 2005, shall restrict the number of
87 students that may enroll in the program from a participating district to
88 eighty per cent of the total enrollment of the program. The governing
89 authority for each interdistrict magnet school program that begins
90 operations on or after July 1, 2005, shall (A) restrict the number of
91 students that may enroll in the program from a participating district to
92 seventy-five per cent of the total enrollment of the program, and (B)
93 maintain such a school enrollment that at least twenty-five per cent but
94 not more than seventy-five per cent of the students enrolled are pupils
95 of racial minorities, as defined in section 10-226a, as amended.

96 Sec. 506. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10-283 of the
97 general statutes, as amended by section 27 of public act 03-77, is
98 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
99 *passage*):

100 (a) (1) Each town or regional school district shall be eligible to apply
101 for and accept grants for a school building project as provided in this

chapter. Any town desiring a grant for a public school building project may, by vote of its legislative body, authorize the board of education of such town to apply to the Commissioner of Education and to accept or reject such grant for the town. Any regional school board may vote to authorize the supervising agent of the regional school district to apply to the Commissioner of Education for and to accept or reject such grant for the district. Applications for such grants under this chapter shall be made by the superintendent of schools of such town or regional school district on the form provided and in the manner prescribed by the Commissioner of Education. The application form shall require the superintendent of schools to affirm that the school district considered the maximization of natural light in projects for new construction and alteration or renovation of a school building. Grant applications for school building projects shall be reviewed by the Commissioner of Education on the basis of categories for building projects and standards for school construction established by the State Board of Education in accordance with this section, provided grant applications submitted for purposes of subsection (a) of section 10-65 or section 10-76e shall be reviewed annually by the commissioner on the basis of the educational needs of the applicant. Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter, the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of Manchester Community College may apply for and shall be eligible to receive grants for school building projects pursuant to section 10-264h.

Sec. 507. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-292 of the general statutes, as amended, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education requiring that a bid not be let out until plans and specifications have been approved by the Department of Education's school facilities unit, the town of Old Saybrook may let out for bid on and commence a project for relocatable classrooms at the Kathleen E. Goodwin School and shall be eligible to subsequently be considered for a grant commitment from the state, provided plans and specifications have been approved by the Department of Education's school facilities unit.

136 Sec. 508. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
137 section 10-292 of the general statutes, as amended, or any regulation
138 adopted by the State Board of Education requiring that a bid not be let
139 out until plans and specifications have been approved by the
140 Department of Education's school facilities unit, the town of Stamford
141 may let out for bid on and commence a project for alteration (Project
142 Number 135-223 A) at Stamford High School and shall be eligible to
143 subsequently be considered for a grant commitment from the state,
144 provided plans and specifications have been approved by the
145 Department of Education's school facilities unit."